

TERRITORIAL

THE OKLAHOMA GRAND ARMY MEN FLOCKING TO EL RENO.

General Noble's Arrival on the Opening Day of the Encampment Prevented by a Wreck.

Governor Renfrow Familiarizing Himself With His New Duties—The Office-seekers Preparing for the Attack.

The Political Situation Reviewed From the Standpoint of the Fellow Who Supported the Wrong Man for Governor. The Undeveloped Mineral Wealth of the Lands File Five Civilized Tribes of Indians—General Notes.

WEATHER BULLETIN.

WEATHER BUREAU,
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
WICHITA, KAN., May 11, 1893.
Forecast for Wichita and vicinity—Fair, with rising temperature after Friday.

During the past twenty-four hours the highest temperature was 74, the lowest 58, and the mean 65, with 0.2 inch of rain just before sunrise followed by cooler, clearing weather.

Thus far in May the average temperature has been 62.

For the past four years the average temperature for which the month of May has been 63, and for the 15th day 57.

FIXED L. JOHNSON, Observer.

WASHINGTON, May 11.—Following is the forecast up to 8 p. m. Friday:

For Kansas—Generally fair; variable winds.

For Missouri—Fair; northwest winds, becoming variable.

THE EL RENO REUNION.

Special Dispatch to the Daily Eagle.

EL RENO, O. T., May 11.—This is the first of the three days' encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic of Oklahoma Territory, and it is a gala day for our beautiful and prosperous city. Every train brings in scores of visitors, who are received and waited on by the various committees. It is estimated that the number of our guests on this occasion will exceed two thousand, for which ample provision has been made. All of the business houses and many of the residences are elaborately decorated with bunting, with the national flag floating proudly in the wake of the cool breeze. The appearance of the city today certainly speaks a hearty welcome to the incoming guests and voices the sentiment and patriotic spirit of its citizens.

Hon. John W. Noble, ex-secretary of the interior, was expected to arrive on the afternoon train from the east, but a wreck on the Santa Fe prevented the train from making connection with the Chicago line. The general will arrive tomorrow.

Hon. A. J. Sorey, ex-governor of the territory, Hon. Robert Martin, secretary of the territory, and wife, Captain J. C. Deane, receiver of the Oklahoma City land office, and wife, and Congressman D. T. Flynn are also expected.

J. B. Warren, from Tennessee, is visiting his brother, our genial Mayor Warren, with a view of investing in real estate.

THE INDIAN MINES.

GUTHRIE, O. T., May 11.—[Special.]—Mr. J. F. Saunders of Hamilton, O., who has made extensive prospecting trips all over the north and east portions of the Chickasaw nation, has just received word from some of the mineral prospectors that he had secured for test and assay.

There is a large tract of asphalt beds lying within eight miles of the Santa Fe road, heretofore considered of no value except after extraction of the asphalt for roofing purposes. But a car having been sent east for trial, analyzing proves the asphalt to be of the highest chemical properties as the celebrated Trinidad. This is quite a surprise to our chemists from Kansas, who have rather laughed at the idea of any such valuable property lying so close to the surface. It is only one of the many wonders in store for the capitalist in the mines of the five tribes, which are gradually being made known through enterprising prospectors.

Near Wynnewood a large force of men is at work, right along the railroad, mining coal, with indications of a quality superior to the Ohio product. The mine at Ardmore, further south, has been producing coal of a paying quality ever since the new land was struck, and is yielding satisfactory returns to its owners in the east. These coal mines are similar to the famous ones of the West, and are just leased from the Indian authorities by Governor B. B. Anthony and associates. All of the mining lands in the five civilized tribes are being leased for periods of years, under act of congress, to white people for the purpose of developing them. The leases are similar to those under which the coal mines of the West are leased, and are yielding a revenue of over \$600,000. The coal product from the Cherokee and Chickasaw nations, which are the most valuable, is estimated for the year of 1892, to over 550,000 tons, on all of which the nation receives a royalty. The same as the mines of Great Britain are worked. The coal is to be shared by both nations in the proportion, three-fourths going to the former and one-fourth to the latter. Every one employed in these mining operations is required to pay a permit tax of \$5 per annum. No one can obtain a permit to mine, unless he can show that he has the capital to develop the mine, and the result is that the entire nation is being developed by the wealth of the nation lying under its feet.

Copper has been found in a number of places. One mine at Park, just below Poteau, is being mined by some Boston parties, with a gang of fifty men; and if their prospects are realized, it is their intention to double the force. The mine is a timidity of the eastern money man always shows up whenever there is the least appearance of doubt, or west, but that same caution seems terribly dwarfed when a booming town scheme is presented or a chance to corner the pork market. Lead, so far, has not been discovered in any quantity, although some parties have found a fair article miles away from the railroad, which leaves the discovery of no value for the present.

Before his return east Mr. Saunders expected to make another and more thorough canvass of the situation. In the nation, in the request of parties east who have become greatly interested in his articles published.

GUTHRIE GOSSIP.

GUTHRIE, O. T., May 11.—[Special.]—Governor Renfrow has spent the day in consultation with ex-Governor Nease relative to executive matters. The new executive is quietly taking in the situation. There will be no hasty action, it being the intention of the governor to take up the work where the last executive left it, and to make no retrograde movement. About Monday the office will be besieged by a horde of office-seekers.

Last night at the Republican clubroom some splendid speeches were made. General Noble depicted his afternoons' effort. Hon. Frank Butler made a witty and forcible speech.

OKLAHOMA POLITICS.

Special Correspondence of the Daily Eagle.

OKLAHOMA CITY, O. T., May 10.—The "little territory" is convulsed from stem to stern at the appointment of an utterly unknown man (and one who makes no pretensions to governing anything larger than a modest lumber yard) to be governor of Oklahoma territory. Boiling this appointment down to its proper proportions, it means the choice of the Texas Democracy in "it," and the Kansas and Missouri Democrats the figure 9, and the tail amputated. It means good-bye to Dr. Reale for the Oklahoma postoffice, and walk in Mr. Upshaw, et al. What a terrible "tempest in a teapot" this appointment has created. Where, oh, where are your cyclones, tornadoes, cloudbursts, waterspouts, et cetera? They are small affairs compared to this "homestead explosion" from the "immortal panhandle" from the "Washington, built without warning into the peaceful and harmonious ranks of the innocent and unsuspecting Democracy of the "lucky territory."

The general expression along the line of the unfettered Democracy was "What next? Where are we going?" In less than five minutes (by the watch) every anti-Texas and Arkansas Democrat had known "Bill Renfrow" ever since he was "kneaded to a duck" "Knew his duddy." "Yes, yes," "Just the man we want!" "Yar, yar" for Governor Renfrow.

The gubernatorial battle was a simple resume of the old fight, "Oklahoma City against Guthrie," and for a wonder, Oklahoma City won the day. The bitter fight of Guthrie against Hon. Sidney Clark was because Clark was supposed to be an Oklahoma City citizen. Wonderful politics! Wonderful fight! Well might the bard of Avon break out thusly: "Hon, proud man, dressed in a little blue authority, cuts such fantastic pranks before his high heaven as makes the angels weep."

Ex-Governor Stone of Iowa has concluded to "pitch his tent" near the city of Oklahoma, and to practice law here in the future. As the leading man in the land under the law, he is more than welcome to our city. He has purchased a lovely claim (160 acres) west of the city, in easy, comfortable distance, about three quarters of a mile from the corporation line, and will at once build on the same a comfortable residence. We want immediately at such a place, ten thousand such men and families here.

After a night with the boys

Yours for a clear head—Bromo-Seltzer.

ELECTRIC MATTERS.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., May 11.—An important suit for infringement and damages, it is said, to the amount of \$500,000, has been brought against the Winchester Avenue and West Haven Electric road of this city, and the Westinghouse company, the parent corporation, in Pittsburg and New York. The suit seeks to restrain these concerns from using the trolley electric patents issued during the past half century, makes the statement that the trolley was used nearly twenty-five years prior to the date of the patents, and that the defendants in this case are prepared to demonstrate.

New York, May 11.—The annual report of the board of directors of the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing company, given out today, shows a profit from manufacturing for the year ended March 31 of \$1,250,817, and from other sources \$12,796, a total of \$14,048,583—this after paying expenses. The assets are \$14,590,000 and the liabilities \$1,577,247. The directors proposed a dividend of \$1.00 per share, not paying dividends on all the stock of the company, in view of the large amount required for machinery and material.

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FAILURES.

CHICAGO, May 11.—The Columbia National bank of this city suspended today.

The bank's capital was \$1,000,000. The depositors were \$1,400,000 and the capital \$1,000,000. Rumors that the institution was in trouble have been current for the last week. It did business with small country banks, and was not in esteem with the other banking concerns of the city. Bank Examiner Sturges estimated the bank's assets at \$1,250,000. A statement sent to the Chicago office after the suspension was announced. The total assets of the bank are placed at \$2,250,000 and the liabilities at \$1,500,000. There has been constant run on the bank since the closing of the Chemical National, and that is what determined the directors to close the doors. The Columbia was not a member of the clearing house, and the Chicago office says that it made application for membership a year ago, but after an examination of its affairs, it was denied. President Wiggins has issued a statement that all the depositors will be paid in full.

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